



The Department of Special Education

Quarterly LEA Meeting

March 3, 2010

Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Department Updates and Dates to Remember
- LEA Forum: Q and A
- Adjournment

Monitoring and Compliance Updates

■ MOA Overview: Key Elements

- Initial Evaluations and Reevaluations
- Implementation of Hearing Officer Decisions
- Least Restrictive Environment
- Disproportionate Representation
- Secondary Transition

■ MOA Reporting Periods

Monitoring and Compliance Updates

- Compliance Rates for First Reporting Period:
- The quantitative benchmarks under the MOA pertain to initial evaluations, reevaluations and the timely implementation of due process of HODs
- The SEA only met the benchmark for the percent of HODs that were implemented in a timely manner during the reporting period

Monitoring and Compliance Updates

■ Overview of LEA Monitoring Training

- Key Timeframes
- SEA and LEA Responsibilities
- OSSE Monitoring Standards
- Revised Monitoring Tools
- Monitoring Reports: Letters of Finding

■ Secondary Transition Monitoring

- Nine compliance areas
- Meeting invitations
- Student level and LEA level findings
- Correction of identified noncompliance

Fiscal Update – General

■ Submission of Required Documents

- ARRA Q-2 Reimbursement Workbooks – 26/43 (60%) of LEAs submitted documents on time.
- 2008 Phase II Apps - 42/44 Approved (95%)
- 2009 Phase I Apps: 41/43 Approved (95%)
- 2009 Phase II Apps - 26/43 Approved (60%)

■ LEA March Fiscal Webinars: Time and Effort and ARRA

■ Future Activities

- Release of final allocations
- Phase III application (consists of budgets and spending plans only). Purpose of the P-3 is to provide easy method for updating your budgets and spending plans to align with final allocations. Anticipated release - end of March.

■ Program Requests: Please submit your documents on time and with the requested file names!

Fiscal Update – FFY08 Carryover

FFY 08 Sub-grantee Burn Rate:

- **Section 611:** 95 percent of the FFY 08 Section 611 sub-grant funds have been liquidated. Approximately \$699K remains. Funds must be obligated by September 30, 2010.
- **Section 619:** Only 8 percent the Section 619 sub-grants have been liquidated. Approximately \$147K remains. Funds must be obligated by September 30, 2010. Reminder: these funds should be used to support services or activities for students aged 3 – 5 years old.
- **District GOAL** – 100 percent liquidation of FFY08 funds by next quarterly meeting!

Fiscal Update – ARRA Monitoring

- Applies to sub-recipients who receive: Title 1, Part A; IDEA, McKinney Vento, SIG 1003 (a) and (g); EETT; and SFSF.
- All sub-recipients will be monitored this year. ARRA monitoring will be in addition to other monitoring activities your LEA may undergo this year.
- A memo summarizing the monitoring process in detail was sent to your LEA – February 19th, 2010.
- Anticipated start date for Round 1 monitoring – May 2010
- LEAs will have 72 hours to confirm receipt of notice to monitor
- LEAs will have 2 weeks to submit requested data to OSSE
- If necessary, Corrective Action Plans will be issued

Policy Updates

■ Policies Released January 5, 2010:

- Related Services Policy
- Policies and Procedures for Placement Review, Revised
- Secondary Transition Policy

<http://www.osse.dc.gov/seocwp/view,a,1222,q,561151.asp>

■ Upcoming Policies:

- Child Find Policy
- Early Childhood Transition (ECT) Policy
- Part B Initial Evaluation/Reevaluation Policy

■ Expectations Regarding Policy Implementation:

- LEAs should ensure circulation and review of new OSSE policies with staff upon publication.
- LEAs should ensure that staff attend T&TA sessions to support policy implementation.

■ Upcoming Focus Groups:

- LRE Toolkit Focus Group
- ECT Focus Group

Dates to Remember

■ **Fiscal Training Webinars:**

- **Time and Effort Webinars:** March 9, 2010 at 1:30pm or March 17, 2010 at 10:30am
- **ARRA Quarter 3 Webinars:** March 9, 2020 at 10:00am or March 11, 2010 at 2:00pm

■ **LEA Monitoring Training:**

- March 12, 2010, 8:30 am- 3:00 pm and March 22, 2010, 8:30 am- 3:00 pm

■ **SEDS LEA Train the Trainer Sessions:**

- **Basic User training:** March 5, 2010 - 9:00am - 3:30pm
- **Webinar Review Session:** March 15, 2010- multiple times
- **Trainer Strategies, Tools, and Logistics:** March 22, 2010- 9:00am - 3:30pm

■ **Next LEA Quarterly Meeting:**

- June 4, 2010, 1:00- 3:00 pm

LEA Feedback

- Overview of FAQs: Themes from Last Session
- LEA Questions
- For Additional Information:

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